

December 6, 2017

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 5 p.m. Those present were Sam Hagest, Dana Coots, Carolyn Clark, Loren Christman, Luanne Stahly, Tami Kruer, and Melanie Davis.

Sam asked for additions or corrections to the November minutes. Luanne moved to approve the minutes as written; Loren seconded and the motion carried.

Sam asked for questions on the Financial Report. Loren moved to approve the report; Carolyn seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business

Annual Meeting: Tami contacted Joe Green, Green Banner, for a quote on printing the District's Annual Report, but has not gotten a response to date. Cost of printing last year's report was \$540. Loren moved to have the Banner print the report if cost did not exceed \$600. Carolyn seconded, and motion carried. Luanne suggested contacting the FFA chapters in the county to see if there were awards the chapters had received, or achievements, which we could recognize them for at our meeting; staff will contact.

PSS Agreement: Melanie contacted Whitney McGrew regarding the changes to the required tasks, and how they might affect the workload of those tasks. Whitney stated that there was an upcoming teleconference to iron out the remaining details and finalized written guidance; she would be able to answer more accurately after that occurred.

Annual Conference: Melanie registered Sam, Dana, and Loren for the conference, and canceled the unneeded room reservation. The four resolutions to be presented at the business meeting were discussed. Melanie will submit two names for delegates by the 12/30 deadline.

The South-Southeast Region Meeting will be Tuesday, December 12, at the Scott County USDA Service Center from 6-8 p.m. RSVP by 12/8. Cost of meal is \$5. Sam, Dana, and Loren will attend.

Used oil collection: Tami has not heard anything further from Terry Vissing regarding a date or plans.

CWI 2018 grant: Melanie stated that the SSCB had approved the application from Jefferson and Clark County SWCDs with one change. The SSCB zeroed out funds for the Forage & Biomass Planting practice, and added funds to the Cover Crop practice. According to DSSs, cutting funds for Forage & Biomass was something that was done on all applications that were submitted. Melanie asked the board to consider transferring the \$10,000 they pledged to fund cover crop practices to forage & biomass; Vickie is to ask the Jefferson County board to do the same with the \$5,000 they have pledged to cover crops. After

discussion, Carolyn moved to transfer the \$10,000 from cover crops to forage and biomass; Luanne seconded, and motion carried.

Fourteen Mile Creek grant: IDEM notified Melanie that the District's implementation application had ranked highly, and therefore has been forwarded to the EPA for approval and funding. The WMP has not been approved to date.

Exhibit Area: The problem with the pond losing water was solved after Sounds of Water inspected it. Unbeknownst to staff, there is a filter on the waterfall, and because it hadn't been cleaned since installation, it was floating and allowing water to go out the overflow. Once cleaned, the pond has been functioning properly. Supervisors suggested getting on Sounds of Water's spring maintenance list; staff will contact.

No other Old Business.

New Business

The Washington County SWCD has requested sponsorship of \$100 for their Soil Health Workshop that will take place on January 30, 2018. Sponsors receive one free registration. Luanne moved to sponsor the workshop at \$100; Carolyn seconded, and motion carried.

No other New Business.

Staff Reports

Jennifer Kipper, NRCS District Conservationist, submitted a written report of her activities.
Tami Kruer, Executive Director, reported that Ronnie Boehm did a follow-up inspection of the Community Crossing project in Charlestown with the Army Corp of Engineers. Several violations were noted, and a cease and desist order was issued on the project by the Corp.
Melanie Davis, Administrative Coordinator, presented a written report of her activities.
Lynn Miller, Urban Specialist, was not present.
Mike Johnson, ISDA Resource Specialist, was not present.

Correspondence/Announcements

None.

With no further business, Sam adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Melanie Davis